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Renata Hesse Trial Attorney Anti-Trust Division Department of Justice 601 D. Street NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney Hesse,

I would like to comment on the proposed settlement in the Microsoft case.

As the Executive Director of a non-profit childcare agency, I use Microsoft products daily and they have been of great help to me and my staff. They have allowed my staff to become more self-sufficient.

The fact is that the proposed settlement will benefit groups like mine who would qualify to receive Microsoft products if the settlement survives in its present state.

In my opinion I have not been harmed by any actions taken by Microsoft. In fact, Microsoft's innovations have helped many small agencies such as mine.

I hope that we end this lawsuit and approve the settlement.

Sincerely Yours,

Edward P. Madaus

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**Executive Director**